



## 15 Largest Red Abalone (*Haliotis rufescens*) Taken off Northern California

As part of the sport fishery and reported to the  
California Department of Fish and Game

*Note: This is an **unofficial** list*

Rank	Length (mm)	Location	Date	Diver
1	313.4 (state record)	Humboldt County	Sept. 5, 1993	John Pepper
2	303.4	Del Norte County	Aug. 12, 1994	Bill Bagasarran
3	300.0	Mendocino County	Oct. 16, 2011	Phillip Johnson
4	298.6	Shelter Cove	Apr. 1, 1984	Don Thorpe
5	293.0	Shelter Cove	Apr. 1, 1984	Otto Humphrey
6	287.8	Bear Harbor	Apr. 2, 1991	Doyle Womack
7	285.2	Bear Harbor	Oct. 1, 1991	Dan Mowery
8	285.0	Kibesillah	Apr. 25, 2008	Phillip Johnson
9	283.8	Shelter Cove	May 18, 1983	Ralph French
10	283.0	Crescent City	June 6, 1987	Brad Edwards
11	281.3	Bear Harbor	Sept. 12, 2011	Don Powers
12	281.0	Mendocino County	Oct. 21, 2011	Don Powers
13	280.9	Del Norte County	Sept. 3, 1995	Mark Cortright
14	279.6	Mendocino County	June 24, 2009	Michael Stapleton
15	279.0	Crescent City	Aug. 25, 1995	Rich Matteoli



*Have you taken a red abalone that matches or exceeds the size of the abalone listed here? We would love to add your red abalone to this unofficial list! There are no forms to fill out... simply submit a photo of the abalone next to a measuring device, and have a DFG marine biologist or game warden check your abalone. Contact Marine Biologist Kim Penttila at [kpenttila@dfg.ca.gov](mailto:kpenttila@dfg.ca.gov) or 562.342.7199 for more information.*

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